

REMARKS

Claim 24 has been amended. Claims 28-30 have been added. Claims 1, 16-22 and 24-30 remain for further consideration. No new matter has been added.

The objections and rejections shall be taken up in the order presented in the Official Action.

1. An Abstract is provided herewith on a separate sheet of paper.

2-4. A Terminal Disclaimer is enclosed herewith.

5-6. Claim 24 currently stands rejected for allegedly being anticipated by U.S. Patent 4,763,356 to Day, Jr., et al. (hereinafter "Day").

The portable, keyboardless computer of Claim 24 comprises, *inter alia*, an application generator for generating data collection applications and for creating different functional libraries relating to the contents and formats of outputs displayed on a touch-sensitive screen of an input/output device. In addition, the application generator operates in conjunction with a processor to partition a memory for storing the data collection applications and libraries. These limitations of the present invention are significant because the application generator is a development tool for use by an application designer when generating data collection applications (see page 17, lines 21-26) and when creating and maintaining libraries that are pertinent to data collection (see page 18, lines 18-26).

Day, Jr. discloses a form entry system integrated with a personal computer and touch screen display. The form entry system displays a predefined form and indicates, in a predetermined sequence, which information fields of the displayed form a user is to fill in and concurrently displays one of a plurality of predefined tools adapted to specifically facilitate the inputting of the information called for by that field. Specifically, the field to be filled in by the user is highlighted and the tool which the user operates to fill in the highlighted field is displayed as an overlay (window) on the form. The tool may comprise, for example, a calculator, a keyboard, a date pad, etc.

Claim 24 of the present invention has been amended to recite that the application generator creates different functional libraries relating to the contents and formats of information displayed on the screen. These different functional libraries include, for example, a consequential library containing actions and executable instructions associated with the possible responses. The entries of this latter library may change the flow of the data collection application by, for example, introducing an action corresponding to each entry of the library (See page 29, line 26 and page 30, lines 1-17 of the subject application).

Other different functional libraries include a pictogram library for storing graphical images of objects; a syntax library of predefined message outputs whereby changes to the predefined message outputs may be effected by accessing the syntax library and manually entering desired message outputs, and a sequential library of possible responses that are displayed on the screen in selected formats.

The application generator also has the capability of cross-referencing responses with a related library to determine, *inter alia*, if a possible response, and action, are available in that library for execution. See page 31, lines 22-26 and page 32, lines 1-9 of the subject application. Also, the personalization feature of the present invention allows a user to personalize libraries and display outputs that are pertinent to that user. See page 34, lines 10-22.

Hence claim 24 is now patentable, since Day, Jr neither discloses nor suggests the computer as claimed including an application generator for generating data collection applications and for creating different functional libraries relating to the contents and formats displayed on the touch-sensitive screen.

7. In the Official Action, claim 23 is objected to for being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

However, it appears that this objection should be for claim 25, since claim 25 depends from claim 24. Claim 23 depends from claim 22.

The applicant's representative respectfully submits that the above objection with respect to claim 25 is now moot, since claim 24 has been amended to recite patentable subject matter, and therefore claim 25 is also patentable.

For all the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and allowance of claims 1, 16-22 and 24-30 is respectfully requested.

If a telephone interview could assist in the prosecution of this application, please call the undersigned attorney.

A check for \$38 is enclosed to cover the additional independent claim (28).

Although we believe that no additional fee is due with this Amendment, if any additional fees are due, then consider this a petition and permission is hereby granted to charge Cesari and McKenna Deposit Account No. 03-1237 in the amount of any such additional fee.

Respectfully submitted,



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